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A RESOLUTION to honor Patricia W. Pile of the United Way of Clarksville-Montgomery County upon her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representative of the state of Tennessee should honor those Tennesseans who through their own diligence and dedication have had significant achievements in their chosen fields and who have realized significant milestones in their distinguished careers; and

WHEREAS, Patricia W. Pile is one such person who has been a leader in the business and civic life of Clarksville for many years, and she has given unreservedly of herself to ensure the betterment of life in her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pile, Executive Director of the United Way of Clarksville-Montgomery

County, has answered the tantalizing call of retirement after eleven years of service that stands
unparalleled in excellence; and

WHEREAS, under Ms. Pile's sagacious leadership, this worthy organization's pledges have grown from \$400,000 to \$1,462,690 and the number of participating agencies has increased from 17 to 29; and

WHEREAS, internally, Ms. Pile watched her staff triple and the number of volunteers increase; in addition, the organization has implemented management assistance programs for United Way agencies, created newsletters, revised bylaws, and has given new meaning to once-bland and routine events and activities; and

WHEREAS, Pat Pile possesses a wealth of knowledge regarding the management of non-profits and their role in the community; she has often sought training at the National Academy of Volunteerism to add to her highly respectable credentials; and

WHEREAS, a magna cum laude graduate of the University of Tennessee, Ms. Pile has pursued additional coursework at Columbia State Community College, Austin Peay State University, and North Alabama State University; and

WHEREAS, prior to her exemplary tenure with the United Way, Ms. Pile dedicated her time and talents to the Lawrence County School System as an elementary, middle and high school teacher; and

WHEREAS, drawing upon her accounting expertise and managerial abilities, Ms. Pile became a valuable employee of H&R Block in 1977, working as a tax consultant, office manager and instructor; and

WHEREAS, while leading the United Way, Ms. Pile has had numerous high honors bestowed upon her in recognition of her professional and civic excellence, including the 1989 B&PW Outstanding Business Woman of the Year, inclusion in The Leaf-Chronicle's "Women of Influence" 1993 issue; the 1994 Walton D. Griffin Memorial Award for Distinguished Service, and nomination for the distinguished Athena Award in 1994; and

WHEREAS, despite the pressing demands of her work, Ms. Pile has unselfishly devoted herself to seats on numerous boards and committees, including the Community Service Organization, the local board of FEMA, the River District Commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the County and State Committees on Disability Issues, the Clarksville-Montgomery County Minority Affairs Task Force, and Leadership Clarksville; and

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WHEREAS, in addition to these distinguished awards and appointments, Ms. Pile has been praised for her involvement with the Crisis Call Line, the American Red Cross, Austin Peay State University, and the Adult Literacy Council; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pile has exemplified, through her actions and attitude, the qualities of a leader in her personal and professional life, placing the welfare of all others first; and

WHEREAS, the Clarksville community and the state of Tennessee have benefited greatly from Ms. Pile's dedication and devotion, and upon the occasion of her retirement, she is richly deserving of the respect and commendation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Patricia Pile for her many achievements as a professional and community leader and we wish her well upon her retirement from the Clarksville-Montgomery County United Way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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